

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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RATIFICATION OF MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION .

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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken up steps for timely ratification of Maritime Labour Convention,2006.
- (b) if so, the details thereof;and the benefits likely to accrue as a result thereof;
- (c) whether India lags behind as compared to countries in ratification of said convention;and
- (d) if so,the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) to (d): The Maritime Labour Convention was adopted by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) on 7.2.2006. The Convention would come into force 12 months after 30 member states of ILO with at least 33% of the world tonnage have ratified the Convention. At present, only three countries have ratified the same. The Government of India is seized of the matter and it is under examination.